

## 11-2 Arithmetic Sequences

$a_n = a_0 + dn$ ,  $d = \text{common difference}$ ,  $n = \text{which term}$ ,  $a_0 = \text{term before the 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ term}$

Is the sequence arithmetic? If so, identify the common difference.

1) 3, 10, 17, ...

$$d = 10 - 3 = 7$$

$d = 7$  yes

2) 6, -2, -10, ...

$$d = -2 - 6 = -8$$

yes

3) 1, -2, 5, ...

$$d = -2 - 1 = -3$$

Not

4) Write an equation for the sequence: -2, 5, 12, ...

$$a_0 = -9$$

$$a_n = -9 + 7n$$

$$d = 5 - -2 = 7$$

$$d = 7$$

5) Find the 32<sup>nd</sup> term of the sequence: 8, 11, 14, ...

$$a_n = a_0 + dn \quad d = 11 - 8 = 3$$

$$a_n = 5 + 3n \quad a_0 = 5$$

$$a_{32} = 5 + 3(32)$$

$$a_{32} = 5 + 96 = 101$$

6) Find the 17<sup>th</sup> term of the sequence:  $a_{18} = 18, d = 5$

$$\frac{13}{17^{th}}, \frac{18}{18^{th}}, \frac{23}{19^{th}}$$

$$a_{17} = 13$$

## 11-3 Geometric Sequences

$a_n = a_0 r^n$ ,  $r = \text{common ratio}$ ,  $n = \text{which term}$ ,  $a_0 = \text{term before the 1st term}$

What type of sequence? If it is geometric, then what is the common ratio and the next 2 terms.

- 1) 3, 6, 12, ... (Geo)  $r = \frac{6}{3} = 2$   
 $\frac{24}{4^{\text{th}}}$ ,  $\frac{48}{5^{\text{th}}}$
- 2) -6, -2, 2, ... (Arith)  $d = -2 - (-6) = 4$   
 $\frac{6}{4^{\text{th}}}$ ,  $\frac{10}{5^{\text{th}}}$
- 3) 90, -30, 10, ... (Geo)  $r = \frac{-30}{90} = -\frac{1}{3}$   
 $-\frac{10}{4^{\text{th}}}$ ,  $\frac{10}{5^{\text{th}}}$ ,  $-\frac{10}{5} \cdot -\frac{1}{3}$

4) Write an equation for the sequence. Generate the first 5 terms:

$a_1 = 2, r = -3$   $a_0 = -\frac{2}{3}$

$a_n = -\frac{2}{3}(-3)^n$

$\frac{2}{1^{\text{st}}}, -6, \frac{18}{3^{\text{rd}}}, -54, \frac{162}{5^{\text{th}}}$

$a_3 = -\frac{2}{3}(-3)^3 = -\frac{2}{3}(-27)$

$\frac{54}{3} = 18$

5) Find the 10<sup>th</sup> term of the

sequence:  $a_9 = 180, r = \frac{1}{3}$

$$\frac{540}{8^{th}}, \frac{180}{9^{th}}, \frac{60}{10^{th}} \quad a_{10} = 60$$

6) Find the 10<sup>th</sup> term of the

sequence:  $a_{12} = -36, r = 2$

$$\frac{-9}{10^{th}}, \frac{-18}{11^{th}}, \frac{-36}{12^{th}} \quad \frac{-36}{2} = 18$$

$$a_{10} = -9$$

## 11-4 Arithmetic Series

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a_1 + a_n), \quad \begin{array}{c} \# \text{ of terms} \\ n = \text{which term}, a_1 = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ term}, a_n = \text{last term} \end{array}$$

Tell if it is a *sequence* or *series*. Tell if it is *infinite* or *finite*.  $\infty$

1)  $3 + 8 + 13 + 18$

Series

Finite

2)  $7, 5, 3, \dots$

Sequence

Infinite

3)  $13 + 12 + 11 + \dots$

Series

Infinite

4) Write the related series. Evaluate the series:  $-12, -2, 8, 18$

$$(-12) + (-2) + (8) + (18) \quad S_4 = \frac{4}{2}(-12 + 18)$$

$$S_4 = 2(6) = \boxed{12}$$

5) The sequence has 8 terms.

Evaluate the series:

2, 6, 10, ..., 30

$$S_8 = \frac{8}{2}(2+30)$$

$$S_8 = 4(32) = \boxed{128}$$

6) Evaluate the series to the 7<sup>th</sup>

term:  $a_7 = 3$

$$\overset{24}{\curvearrowright} 21 + 18 + 15 + \dots \quad d = -3$$

$$a_n = 24 - 3n$$

$$a_7 = 24 - 3(7) = 24 - 21 = 3$$

$$S_7 = \frac{7}{2}(21 + 3)$$

$$S_7 = \frac{7}{2} \left( \frac{24}{1} \right) \quad \boxed{S_7 = 84}$$

## 11-5 Geometric Series

$$\text{Finite Series: } S_n = \frac{a_1(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$\text{Infinite Series: } S_\infty = \frac{a_1}{1-r}$$

( $|r| < 1$  Decay)

1) Evaluate for the specified number of terms:  $a_1 = 1$

$$1 + 3 + 9 + \dots; n = 7$$

$$r = \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

$$S_7 = \frac{1(1-3^7)}{1-3}$$

$$S_7 = \frac{1(1-2187)}{-2} = \frac{-2186}{-2}$$

$$S_7 = 1093$$

Which series have a sum?

2)  $120 + 60 + 30 + \dots$  Decay

$$r = \frac{60}{120} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$r < 1 \text{ (yes)}$$

3)  $5 + 15 + 45 + \dots$  Growth

$$r = \frac{15}{5} = 3$$

$$r > 1 \text{ (No)}$$

4) Evaluate the infinite geometric series:

$$a_1 = 3$$

$$3 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{27} + \dots \quad r = \frac{1}{3} \div 3$$

$$r = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{3}{1 - \frac{1}{9}} = \frac{3}{\frac{9}{9} - \frac{1}{9}}$$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{3}{\frac{8}{9}} = 3 \div \frac{8}{9} = 3 \cdot \frac{9}{8}$$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{27}{8}$$

5) Is the series *arithmetic* or geometric? Evaluate for the specified number of terms.

$$-3 + 12 - 48 + \dots; n = 6$$

$$r = \frac{12}{-3} = (-4)$$

$$S_6 = \frac{-3(1 - (-4)^6)}{1 - (-4)}$$

$$S_6 = \frac{-3(1 - 4096)}{5}$$

$$S_6 = \frac{-3(-4095)}{5}$$

$$S_6 = 2457$$